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NOTE FOR: DDCI

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Debbie, O/DCI

SUBJECT:

Call from Ambassador Edward Rowny

Ambassador Rowny asked that I pass it on to you.

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The following are the last two paragraphs of a memorandum to the President from Ambassador Rowny on Interim Restraint/Proportional Response:

As the statement is now written, I believe it will satisfy Congressional and Allied concerns. However, I believe the subtlety and vagueness of the message will be lost on Gorbachev. In the last analysis, he should be the main target and be left in no doubt as to your firm resolve.

Accordingly, I strongly recommend the addition of a new penultimate sentence in the statement. The sentence would read:

"This would include making programmed deployments which are not constrained by the flawed, unratified, and expired SALT II agreement."